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SIX TOMMY ATKINES

Beheaded by Their Officers For Showing the White Feather.

QUEEN'S MESSAGE TO MRS. JOUBERT

Hope Expressed That the Boers Have Made Their Last Effort to Reduce Mafeking Before Raising the Siege.

New York, March 30.—The startling story comes from Pretoria that General Botha, who commanded the Boers in the battle of Spion Kop, intimates that six British soldiers had their heads cut off in that action by their officers, because they showed the white feather. The story is sent by H. C. Hillegas, the American correspondent.

London, March 30.—The reports that Lord Roberts will remain at Bloemfontein another month are probably intended for Boer consumption, and the recent movement of troops and other indications point to preparations being well advanced for a forward movement.

The entire silence of the cables is regarded as significant. The fact that the Boer telegrams announcing the bombardment of Mafeking Monday and Tuesday do not claim any success is accepted as proof that they met with none, and hopes are entertained that it may prove to have been the final effort to reduce the place before raising the siege. It is now suggested that the apparent inactivity of the British at Warrenton is merely designed to impress the Boers with the notion that they are checking the Mafeking relief column, which in reality is advancing by a westward detour. Color is lent to this view by the announcement that a column of 3,000 mounted troops, commanded by Colonel Drummond and accompanied by three batteries, a pontoon train and several wagons of ammunition, passed Barkley West March 26 on an extensive march, the objective of which is a secret.

Condolence to Joubert's Widow. London, March 30.—Queen Victoria has cabled to Lord Roberts asking him to convey to Mrs. Joubert, widow of General Joubert, her sympathy at the loss of her husband, and to tell her that the British people always regarded the dead general as a gallant soldier and honorable foe.

British Camp Bombarded. Pretoria, March 30.—A dispatch from Fourteen Streams, north of Warrenton, Cape Colony, says the Boers March 24 opened a bombardment on the British camp there, and that the British replied feebly and evacuated the place during the night.

Burial of Joubert. Pretoria, March 30.—General Joubert's funeral took place here Thursday. He was buried on Friday at Rustfontein, in his private mausoleum with military honors. The captured British officers here sent a floral tribute.

To Strengthen Interstate Commission. Washington, March 30.—The senate committee on interstate commerce heard arguments in support of the proposition to amend the interstate commerce law by James M. Langley of the Merchants' association of New York; Edward P. Bacon, a grain merchant of Milwaukee, and H. F. Dousman of the Chicago board of trade. Mr. Langley said that he represented 35,000 of the largest business houses in the United States, 1,200 of them being in New York. They wanted the hands of the interstate commerce commission strengthened. Mr. Langley said. Mr. Bacon thought the law should either be made effective or stricken off the books. He also expressed the opinion that the interstate commission should have the power to convict in cases where the members were convicted of violation of the law.

Crossed the Bar. Pensacola, Fla., March 30.—The United States cruiser New York, battleship Texas and gunboat Machias, Admiral Farquhar's squadron, crossed the bar into this port with four feet of water to spare.

Ex-Warden James Insane. Jackson, O., March 30.—Judge McCormick of the probate court has committed C. C. James, ex-warden of the Ohio penitentiary during McKinley's administration, to the Athens Hospital for the Insane.

Warden Coffin Attacked. Columbus, O., March 30.—While Penitentiary Warden Coffin was trying to put Ira Marlatt in the "demon's cage," the latter attacked him with a club, blacking his eye and bruising his head.

NOT FOR CONFESSIONS

Will the Goebel Reward Money Be Paid, Says Mr. Lewis.

Frankfort, Ky., March 30.—Ex-Chief Justice James H. Lewis, chairman of the commission selected by the legislature to have charge of the Goebel reward fund, made the following statement concerning the story sent out from Winchester that Attorney James Andrew Scott had proposed to the relatives of H. E. Youtsey to give him a portion of the reward money for a confession of the details of the conspiracy to assassinate Governor Goebel. "The money appropriated by the legislature," said he, "to be used in running down the assassins of Governor Goebel, and bringing them to justice, will be distributed as provided at the first meeting of the reward commission, so much for the assassin and so much for the conviction of the accessory."

"The preliminary work is in the hands of Commonwealth's Attorney Mr. Franklin, and no private citizen has authority from Mr. Franklin, or from the commission, to offer rewards for confessions of alleged accessories. Not a cent of the \$100,000 has yet been spent, and I think you can safely say that not a dollar of it will be paid for confessions."

Culton's Father Indignant. Richmond, Ky., March 30.—The Rev. J. N. Culton, father of W. H. Culton, charged with being accessory to the murder of Goebel, is deeply incensed at what he declares is an attempt to drag his son into an alleged conspiracy. He has received from his son a telegram saying: "I have made no confession. I have nothing to confess."

Coombs Is Released. Beattyville, Ky., March 30.—Tallow Dick Combs has been released from jail on a writ of habeas corpus. The case will be heard before the county judge next Monday. The local authorities refuse to give Combs up to Clark county officers.

Captain Davis Released. Frankfort, Ky., March 30.—Captain John Davis was released from jail. Postmaster T. H. Baker of Louisville and Hon. L. J. Crawford of Newport became surety for him.

Death of Mr. Forbes. London, March 30.—Archibald Forbes, the well known war correspondent, died here. He had been in bad health for some years, and during the last six months had been unable to write or do anything owing to the complications arising from the rheumatism and paralysis. He spent most of the time at his home in London. His wife was a Miss Meigs, daughter of the late quartermaster general of the United States, General M. C. Meigs.

Made Permanent Receiver. New York, March 30.—Hugh J. Grant has been appointed by Judge Lacombe permanent receiver of the Forty-second Street, Manhattanville and St. Nicholas Avenue Railway company in the proceedings brought by the Lorain Steel company of Ohio. There was no opposition. Judge Lacombe said that if there were any conflict of interests, which he did not think possible, he would consider the appointment of a co-receiver.

New Incorporations. Columbus, O., March 30.—South Lorain Social club, Lorain; V. Pauling Toth assembly, Lorain; Schnitzel Bank Social and Singing society, Cincinnati; Inland Star Transit company, Mentor Special District, \$100,000; Elberon Mutual Aid association, Cincinnati; Hawgood Transit company, Mentor Special District, \$125,000; American Oil and Gas company, Akron, \$50,000.

Two Men Hanged. Manila, March 30.—Morales and Gonzales, who were found guilty of murdering a countryman, were hanged at noon in the plaza in front of the church at San Carlos, province of Pangasinan, an officer of the Seventeenth Infantry presiding at the execution, which was witnessed by the principal citizens of the place. There was no demonstration.

FRENCH VICTORIOUS

The Arab Army at Inavhr Suffer Greatly During Attack.

Paris, March 30.—An official account has been issued of the victory of the French troops over the Arab army at Inavhr, which assembled with the object of attacking the French expedition which recently occupied the oasis of Insalah, southwest of Algeria. The French learned of the scheme and decided to storm the enemy's position, which was successfully carried March 19. The town was first bombarded and then stormed, the Arab warriors making their last stand in the mosque. They left 600 men killed and 100 wounded on the field. In addition, 450 prisoners were taken. The French losses were 9 native soldiers killed, 38 wounded and 2 officers wounded.

POLITICS CREEPS IN.

Congressman Dick Asks Idaho's Governor Tart Questions.

OBJECTION TO THOSE ABOUT BRYAN.

Witness Denies That He Received Any Communication From the Noted Democratic Leader About Couer d'Alene Troubles.

Washington, March 30.—Governor Steunenberg resumed his testimony at the Couer d'Alene investigation. Mr. Sulzer conducting the cross-examination. The governor related his various talks with General Merriam. He first met him in May last and went over the insurrectionary conditions and the necessity for troops. The governor said he requested General Merriam to order the troops to Shoshone county, and he did so.

The governor again went over his trips to Washington, his call on the president and the brief talk with Mr. McKinley. Questioned as to what the president said, Governor Steunenberg replied that the president listened to the brief recital of conditions, and the need of the continued presence of the troops, but made no reply. The governor also was examined as to calls on Secretary Root, and said the latter intended to withdraw the troops from guard duty on Oct. 20. The governor called to protest against this. He found that the secretary was quite determined to withdraw the troops, an order to this effect being issued, and most of the governor's efforts were directed to showing the military authorities that the troops should not be withdrawn. The withdrawal was finally postponed.

The governor denied there was any talk of politics in connection with the postponement. He told the secretary there was no militia available, and not enough time to raise local guard, before the troops were to be withdrawn, and these presentations brought about a postponement. At present the troops were not on guard, but were in garrison. Further questioned as to calls on the president, the governor said the president told one of the delegations that he had acted as an official sending troops on the governor's call, and that any other course would not have been a compliance with his sworn duty.

When Mr. Sulzer referred to the "reign of terror you inaugurated," Governor Steunenberg answered emphatically: "I did not inaugurate a reign of terror. It was there before I got there, and has existed there for the last seven years." He said further to Mr. Lentz: "I know that county has been a hell on earth for the last 10 years."

Dick's Questions. Representative Dick opened the report on direct examination when the cross questioning had closed. He said he was sorry politics had been brought into the inquiry, but as this had occurred, he would pursue that course to some extent. He asked Governor Steunenberg as to reports of his communicating with Senator Hanna or with him (Mr. Dick), to which the governor replied that he had never seen either of them until he came to Washington. The governor said he was elected as a Democrat in 1896 and 1898.

"Did you support Mr. Bryan?" asked Mr. Dick. "I did."

"Would you support him again?" "Most assuredly; if he is nominated again I will support him by all means." Mr. Dick inquired if Mr. Bryan had ever written or expressed any protest or disapproval of the governor's course. Mr. Sulzer and Mr. Lentz protested, and Mr. Hay of Virginia objected on the ground that Mr. Bryan was not president.

"But he will be soon," remarked Mr. Lentz, who added that Mr. Bryan would not declare martial law. The committee voted to allow the question as to whether Mr. Bryan had protested, and Governor Steunenberg said he had never heard from Mr. Bryan in protest or otherwise.

"Has any prospective vice presidential candidate on the Democratic ticket protested to you," asked Mr. Dick, amid much laughter, directed toward Mr. Sulzer. The governor said there had been no such protest. The inquiry was then directed to showing the circumstances under which the governor had called for troops.

SENATOR PETTUS Makes an Amusing Speech at Expense of Orator Beveridge.

Washington, March 30.—During the debate on the Porto Rico bill in the senate Mr. Pettus launched into one of the most amusing speeches heard in

the senate for years. He referred to the ignorance of law manifested by Mr. Gallinger (N. H.) in quoting certain judicial decisions, and then adverted to "the wonderful declamation we had from the orator of the senate (Mr. Beveridge). "When you get a genuine orator he is absolutely absorbed," said he, "from all rules of logic and common sense." Mr. Pettus said the senate or the president pro tem, or the senator from Iowa (Allison), would have to take some action as to "that orator." "You'll have to have a caucus on him." (Laughter.) He then said that when the Master selected a leader for the Israelites He did not choose an orator. He even chose a stuttering man. His name was Moses, but not an orator.

DAMAGES REDUCED.

Jury in a Civil Rights Case Gives Plaintiff Six and Quarter Cents.

Pittsburg, March 30.—The jury in the case of Assistant District Attorney Walter E. Billows, colored, against William J. McCarthy, a prominent restaurant keeper, who refused to serve a meal to Billows and his companion, Congressman George E. White of North Carolina, also colored, returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for 6 1/4 cents. Billows asked for \$5,000 damages.

Startling Poisoning Case.

Cincinnati, March 30.—An attempt to poison a family resulted in the serious illness of four persons, Mrs. F. A. Alken, Miss Allie M. Galvin, Harold Winold, aged 6, and Francis Winold, aged 3. Mrs. C. O. Winold, another of the children and daughter of Mrs. Alken, escaped. The persons were poisoned at breakfast. The servant girl, Violet Foster, was arrested, and at first denied her guilt, but soon admitted that she had procured the arsenic and put it into the oatmeal. She said she was instigated thereto by Mr. C. O. Winold, father of the children, who visited them last week. Very bitter feeling has existed in the family. The father once kidnapped the children, and Mrs. Winold recovered them after lengthy litigation.

Trial Postponed.

Charleston, S. C., March 30.—It was announced that the Lake City lynching trial will not be called again at the April term of the United States circuit court, by orders from Washington. Thirteen white citizens, all prominent business men of Lake City, have been tried for the murder of the negro postmaster, Baker. The result was a mistrial. Since the trial Baker's crippled wife and crippled children, who were sleeping in the postoffice at Lake City with him when it was set on fire, went to Boston in a dime museum venture.

Japanese Laborers Arriving.

San Francisco, March 30.—Workmen in this state are becoming alarmed at the steadily increasing number of Japanese immigrants. It is stated that since Jan. 1, 1899, no less than 3,420 laborers from Japan have arrived in this country, and the immigration bureau is informed that 1,400 more are due here by April 7. According to Labor Commissioner North 7,000 passports have been obtained in Japan for laborers intending to come to this country.

Death of a Millionaire.

Chicago, March 30.—Jacob Rosenberg, retired millionaire and pioneer merchant of Chicago, died of influenza at his residence in this city. Mr. Rosenberg was 81 years of age, and made his fortune in the wholesale dry goods trade and real estate. Mr. Rosenberg's son, Joseph, who died in Europe in 1891, presented to Chicago the bronze statue of Hebe, with accompanying fountain, erected in Lake Front park, at Park Row and Michigan avenue.

Arrest of Marvin McClure.

Rutland, Vt., March 30.—Marvin A. McClure, a music dealer of this city, whose notes for \$145,000, discounted by Charles W. Mussey, cashier of the Merchants' National bank, caused the failure of that institution and the arrest of Mussey on Monday last, was himself arrested at his home here on charges of embezzlement and grand larceny. The complainant is Dr. John A. Mead, president of the closed bank.

Shot by His Wife.

Leadville, Colo., March 30.—Ex-Alderman Charles Joy was fatally shot by his wife. The woman says that her husband, who was intoxicated, was about to shoot her, when she fired three shots at him. One bullet penetrated the stomach. Joy recently returned from the Klondike.

Report Confirmed.

Washington, March 30.—The state department has received cable dispatches from United States Minister Leishman and Mr. Trehan, counsel for the McMurdo heirs, both at Bernese, confirming the press account of the award made by the Delagoa bay arbitration.

OVER ELECTION DAY.

General Ass mblly of Ohio Adjourns Till Tuesday Afternoon.

PROCEEDINGS IN BOTH BRANCHES.

Important Bills Reported Back From Committees, Some of Which Are Sent Immediately to Legislative Cemetery.

Columbus, O., March 30.—By joint resolution, adopted in both branches, the legislature adjourned till 2:30 p. m. Tuesday, on account of election day Monday.

The house indefinitely postponed Mr. Ankeney's bill to require all steam and electric railroads to be constructed at standard gauge, 4 feet, 8 1/2 inches, and to require roads having other widths to conform to the standard gauge as rapidly as practicable.

The Butler county delegation continues to furnish amusement for the members of the house in the wrangle over the bill to abolish the office of city auditor of Hamilton. Mr. Warwick moved to relieve the committee on municipal affairs from further consideration of the bill, as well as from further embarrassment. Mr. Bartlow was willing and suggested that the bill be referred to the Butler delegation and let them fight it out among themselves. It was so ordered.

Another substitute for the fish and game bills was produced, this time by the special committee appointed to consider the composite game bill prepared at the instance of the fish and game commission. The substitute covers the entire chapter of fish and game legislation. It will be considered next Thursday.

The Hendley bill to prevent cocaine and morphine fiends from "repeating" on prescriptions was reported as a supplemental section, instead of an amendment for the original section of the statutes.

Mr. Hendley's barber bill was restored to the calendar.

Friday Mr. DeRan took the house committee on railroads by surprise, and had his freight rate bill relieved from further slumber by having it placed on the calendar for next Wednesday. The action was reconsidered and the bill was sent back to the committee.

Senator Sieber's substituted bill, exempting from taxation so much of the stock of foreign corporations doing business in Ohio held or controlled by citizens of Ohio, as may not be in excess of the amount upon which the corporation pays taxes in Ohio, was favorably reported.

Among the bills passed by the house were: S. B., providing that banks in Zanesville and Hamilton having paid up capital of \$50,000 may do a trust company business; H. B., to increase, compensation of decennial appraisers in Clinton county from \$2 to \$3 per day; H. B., authorizing Cleveland to issue \$300,000 for constructing Clark avenue viaduct; H. B., authorizing Cleveland to issue \$150,000 bonds for the Tod street bridge.

In the Senate.

Senators wore beautiful carnations, the gift of the Sidney Grand Army post, which, by a bill recently passed by the senate, is given quarters in the Sidney Memorial building.

Senator Myers introduced a bill abolishing the state live stock commission, and placing the powers and duties in the hands of the state board of agriculture.

Senator Hurst introduced a bill creating the office of county road superintendent in Guernsey county.

Another bill by the same senator, by request, authorizes the commissioners of that county to issue bonds and construct a free turnpike.

Senator Howard had his bill (S. B. 301) taken from the county affairs committee and passed.

Court martial Ordered.

San Francisco, March 30.—The charges preferred by Major Groesbeck, judge advocate of the military department of California, against Captain Peter C. Deming, the commissary officer under arrest Alcatraz island, have been filed with the commanding officer, and the court martial to try Captain Deming has been appointed to meet at the presidio next Tuesday. Colonel J. B. Rowles of the Third artillery will be president at the trial.

Will Reduce Wages.

San Francisco, March 30.—War is on between the International Union of Bricklayers and Masons and the San Francisco Bricklayers' association. On April 1 the international union will reduce the standard of wages of bricklayers from \$5, the local union rate, to \$3.50, and will make corresponding reductions in masons' wages.